

AMENDMENTS TO CLAIMS

1-3. (Canceled)

4. (Currently amended) A software-installing method for installing a plurality of items of software in a computer and simultaneously performing initial print setup in a computer, so as to use one of a plurality of printing devices connected to the computer through a network, the method comprising the steps of:

acquiring a template of a scenario, the scenario being a file describing procedures for installing the software;

reading the template to determine whether the template contains one or more parameters representing incomplete information, and subsequently acquiring data corresponding to the parameters by searching an installation database, and wherein said searching is processed by said computer, based on said computer or a user of said computer, the installation database being located outside said computer, and wherein said acquiring step includes The software-installing method as claimed in claim 1, further comprising a step of acquiring data regarding print setting information as data for said parameters from said installation database;

producing the scenario which is specific to said computer by incorporating acquired data into the parameters of said template; and

inputting the produced scenario to an installation program.

5. (Currently amended) A software-installing method for installing a plurality of items of software in computers and simultaneously performing initial print setup in said computers, so as to use a plurality of printing devices connected to the computers through a network, the method comprising the steps of:

producing a template of a scenario, which is the scenario being a file describing procedures for installing the software, the template including parameters, and providing said template to each of said computers;

acquiring data corresponding to the parameters from an installation database located outside said computers, and wherein said data includes print setting information; and

producing scenarios, specific to each of said computers, based on the produced template; and

inputting the produced scenarios to installation programs.

6. (Currently amended) A processor readable recording medium storing program code means for causing a computer to install therein a plurality of items of software and to perform initial print setup in said computer, to use one of a plurality of printing devices connected to the computer through a network, the medium comprising:

program code means for acquiring a template of a scenario, which is the scenario being a file describing procedures for installing the plurality of items of software, the template including parameters;

program code means for reading the template to determine whether the template contains one or more parameters representing incomplete information, and subsequently acquiring data corresponding to the parameters contained in the template by searching an installation database, and wherein said searching is processed by said computer, and wherein said searching is based on said computer or a user of said computer, the installation database being located outside said computer, and wherein said acquisition of said data includes acquiring data regarding print setting information from said installation database; and

program code means for producing the scenario which is specific to said computer by incorporating the acquired data including said data regarding print setting information into the parameters of said template; and

program code means for inputting the produced scenario to an installation program.

7-13. (Canceled)

14. (Currently amended) A computer, comprising:

a first ~~acquiring~~ element configured to acquire a template of a scenario, ~~which is the template being~~ a file describing procedures for installing [[the]] software, ~~the template including parameters;~~

a second ~~acquiring~~ element configured to read the template to determine whether the template contains one or more parameters representing incomplete information, and to subsequently acquire data corresponding to the parameters by searching an installation database located outside said computer, and wherein said searching is based on said computer or a selection by a user of said computer, and wherein said acquisition of data includes acquiring data regarding print setting information; and

a producing element configured to produce the scenario which is specific to said computer by incorporating [[the]] acquired data into the parameters of said template, and wherein the producing element is further configured to input the produced scenario to an installation program.

15-17. (Canceled)

18. (Currently amended) A computer, comprising:

a first producing element configured to produce a template of a scenario, ~~which is the scenario being~~ a file describing procedures for installing software, the template including parameters representing incomplete print setting information, and to provide said template to other computers; and

a second producing element configured to produce scenarios, specific to each of said computers, based on the produced template, by providing data for said parameters.